SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 787

By Beavers

A RESOLUTION recognizing and congratulating Abbey Sissom upon her receipt of the TSSAA Class AA Miss Basketball Award.

WHEREAS, from time to time, the members of this General Assembly pause in their deliberations to recognize those student-athletes who, through their commitment to excellence in the classroom and their outstanding athletic abilities, bring honor to their schools, their communities, and the State of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Abbey Sissom, a senior at Cannon County High School and a member of the Cannon County girls basketball team, is one such sterling individual who was recently chosen as the TSSAA Class AA Miss Basketball, a fitting recognition of her contributions and abilities on the basketball court throughout her high school career; and

WHEREAS, Miss Sissom was chosen for this superlative award by a statewide panel of sportswriters, who selected Abbey based on her performance during the 2013-2014 season, her academic record, and her character; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her sterling 2013-2014 season, Abbey Sissom has compiled a remarkable high school career as a basketball player. She finished her senior season second on the list of scoring leaders at Cannon County with 2,606 career points, and during the regular season, she averaged 24.4 points, 4.5 assists, and 2.7 steals per game and shot forty percent from three-point range and eighty-nine percent from the free-throw line; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, Ms. Sissom is a three-time Miss Basketball finalist, was named to the All-State Team twice, is a two-time *Cannon Courier*Female Athlete of the Year and Girls Basketball Player of the Year, was named to the All-

-District 8-AA Team four times, and is a two-time winner of the District Player of the Year Award; and

WHEREAS, displaying the same dedication to excellence in the classroom as she does on the court, Abbey has cultivated a perfect 4.0 grade point average, serves her peers as the secretary of her class, is the manager of the school softball team, and she is the first Cannon County student-athlete to earn an athletic scholarship to Middle Tennessee State University; and

WHEREAS, Abbey's parents, Gaylon and Suzette Sissom, are very proud of their daughter and her many accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, it is wholly fitting that this body recognize Abbey Sissom on her recent accolade, applauding her unwavering commitment to the pursuit of excellence in all of her endeavors; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby recognize and congratulate Abbey Sissom upon her receipt of the TSSAA Class AA Miss Basketball Award, applaud her outstanding high school basketball career, and extend our best wishes for her continued success in all future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.